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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND CHEMICAL

**DEPENDENCY PROFESSIONALS** 

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, October 22, 2008 at 12:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED December 10, 2008

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. William Northey, LMFT, **President**, Presiding Daniel Cherneski, LMFT, **Vice President**Robert Doyle, Public Member, **Secretary**Tracy Hansen, LMFT
Maynard Gregory, LCDP
William Gale, LPCMH
Clayton Yocum, Sr., Public Member
Vera Murrell, Public Member

#### **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Allison Reardon, Deputy Attorney General Shauna Slaughter, Administrative Specialist II

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Dr. James Walsh, LPCMH Lisa Ritchie, LPCMH Mary Krieger, LPCMH Winnie Lewis, Public Member

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Northey called the meeting to order at 12:13 p.m.

#### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the August 27, 2008 minutes for approval. Mr. Gregory made a motion, seconded by Mr. Doyle, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Introductions took place for the benefit of the new board member, Clayton Yocum.

Dr. Northey advised the Board that Mr. Buskirk resigned from the Board.

#### **UNFINSHED BUSINESS**

Discussion Regarding CE Audit

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Ms. Slaughter asked the Board what documents they would like to receive from licensees selected for the post-renewal audit. The Board advised that the licensees should provide the CE log and certificates of completion. If additional documentation is needed we will notify the licensee of what we would like them to provide.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Review of Application for LCDP Licensure by Certification – Victoria Burke-Watson

The Board reviewed Ms. Burke-Watson's application for LCDP licensure by certification. Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gregory, to **approve** the application. Motion unanimously carried.

## Review of Application for LCDP Licensure by Certification – Mark Coffey

The Board reviewed Mr. Coffey's application for LCDP licensure by certification. Mr. Gregory made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gale, to **approve** the application. Motion unanimously carried.

#### Review of Application for LPCMH Licensure by Certification – Mary Soligo

The Board reviewed Ms. Soligo's application for LPCMH licensure by certification. Mr. Gale made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hansen, to **propose to deny** the application based on Ms. Soligo's experience not meeting the requirements set forth in the board's statute. Motion carried with Mr. Doyle and Ms. Murrell opposing.

#### Review of Application for LPCMH Licensure by Certification – Faith Whittington

The Board reviewed Ms. Whittington's application for LPCMH licensure by certification. Mr. Doyle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gregory, to **approve** the application. Motion unanimously carried.

#### Review of Application for LPCMH Licensure by Reciprocity – Allen Silberman

The Board reviewed Mr. Silberman's application for LPCMH licensure by reciprocity. Mr. Gale made a motion, seconded by Mr. Doyle, to **approve** the application. Motion unanimously carried.

#### Review Requests for Inactive Status

The Board reviewed a request from Amy Lake to have her license placed on inactive status. Mr. Doyle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gregory, to approve the request. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed a request from Gail Jackson to have her license placed on inactive status. Mr. Doyle made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gregory, to approve the request. Motion unanimously carried.

# Review Request from Anita Delaney Requesting an Extension to Complete Her Required Experience Hours

The Board reviewed a request from Anita Delaney, in which she requested an extension of time to obtain the required experience hours for licensure. Mr. Gregory made a motion, seconded by Ms. Murrell, to deny the request because the Board does not have the statutory authority to approve such a request. Motion unanimously carried.

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# Review Request for Approval of Continuing Education Activity from the Mental Health Association of Delaware

The Board reviewed a request for approval of a continuing education activity from the Mental Health Association of Delaware. Mr. Doyle made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hansen, to approve the request. Motion unanimously carried.

#### Discussion Regarding the November 26, 2008 meeting

Ms. Slaughter asked for confirmation of who would be able to attend the November 26, 2008 meeting. From the responses it did not appear that there would be a quorum due to the meeting being scheduled for the day before Thanksgiving. The Board requested to reschedule the meeting for December 10, 2008. Ms. Slaughter advised the Board that she would verify that a conference room was available and she would email them to confirm that the meeting would be rescheduled.

# Schedule 2009 Meeting Dates

Ms. Slaughter advised the Board that the November 2009 meeting would fall on the day before Thanksgiving again next year. She asked the Board if they would like to reschedule the November meeting for a different date. The Board suggested the Wednesday before, which would be November 18, 2009. Ms. Slaughter advised the Board that she would check to see if a conference room would be available for that date. This item will be discussed further at the next meeting.

## **Correspondence**

#### Information Regarding AASCB Annual Conference

Ms. Slaughter advised the Board that she received information regarding the AASCB annual conference if anyone is interested in it.

Memorandum from James Collins Regarding 145<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, 1<sup>st</sup> Legislative Session

Ms. Slaughter advised the Board about a memorandum sent by Division Director, James Collins, regarding the 145<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, 1<sup>st</sup> Legislative Session. In the memorandum Mr. Collins asked that any board wishing to make legislative changes during the upcoming legislative session should respond to him by November 18<sup>th</sup> with draft legislation.

#### Other Business (for discussion only)

There was no other business before the board.

#### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

# **Next Meeting Date**

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for November 26, 2008 at 12:00 p.m. in Conference Room A of the Cannon Bldg., 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, Delaware. This meeting is tentatively being rescheduled for December 10, 2008. The change will be appropriately noticed on the statewide online meeting calendar once the reschedule date is confirmed.

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# **Adjournment**

Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Dr. Northey, to adjourn. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 1:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Slaughter

Administrative Specialist II

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